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SUBJECT: VILLA DEVOTO CASUALTIES

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SINCE FIVE OF THE PRISONERS KILLED IN THE VILLA DEVOTO PRISON UPRISING ARE LISTED BY COHA AS "POLITICAL PRISONERS", WE WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT THE FIVE, IN PARTICULAR, THE CHARGES FOR WHICH THEY WERE HELD, IF OBTAINABLE FROM THE GOA [REDACTED] WE APPRECIATE THAT THE KILLINGS OF THE 61 PRISONERS WERE NOT DIRECTED AGAINST POLITICAL PRISONERS PER SE. HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO CLARIFY WHETHER THE FOLLOWING FIVE KILLED WERE IN FACT POLITICAL PRISONERS: MARIO RAUL FRANCIA, JUAN JOSE FERNANDEZ, JUAN CARLOS MUNEZ, ANTONIO ENRIQUE SANCHEZ AND MARIO RAUL CASTRO.

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